

--- “Series of 1889” - 10 Cigarettes - 21 x 28 mm. - scanned at 200% scale ---

--- Recess Printed in BLACK ink - 4th BABN Contract (1886-1892) ---

With the **Budget of 1888** the distinction between *foreign* and *domestic leaf* tobacco was discontinued, the tax was now calculated at 60¢ per thousand cigarettes made from *any leaf weighing less* than 3 pounds per thousand - and at \$1.00 per thousand for cigarettes weighing *more than* 3 pounds per thousand.

The **Budget of 1889** increased the excise duty to \$1.50 per thousand for cigarettes weighing less than 3 pounds per thousand - and to \$6.00 per thousand for cigarettes weighing over 3 pounds per thousand. At this time the use of the *weight denomination* was discontinued, and the stamp now indicted the *number of cigarettes* per package.

John McKay records that 3,599,200 copies *recess printed* by hand press, and 6,955,200 copies *recess printed* by rotary press of “10 Black Cigarettes” were ‘delivered’ under the **4th BABN Contract** (1886 -1892).

John McKay further reports that 32,921,400 copies *recess printed* by rotary press of “10 Black Cigarettes” were ‘delivered’ under the **5th BABN Contract** (1892 -1897), and that an additional 10,044,300 copies were supplied under the **5th ABN Contract Supplement** (1897-1898).



★RC-106 - 10 cigarettes, perforated 12



★RC-106 CP - 10 cigarettes, perforated 12
stamped **CANCELLED** in 3 mm. Gothic



★RC-106 PP - 10 cigarettes, imperforate,
plate proof on light cardboard



★RC-106 PP / CP - 10 cigarettes, imperforate,
plate proof on light cardboard
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★RC-107 - 10 cigarettes, coarse roulette x perf 12
[two copies]



★RC-108 - 10 cigarettes, coarse roulette
[two copies]

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